

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: George Hay

Attorney Docket No.: EZESP013

Application No.: 10/827,120

Examiner: unknown

Filed: April 15, 2004

Group: unknown

Title: HIGH SOLIDS CLOSED-LOOP PRESSURE WASHER SYSTEM

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service with sufficient postage as first-class mail on September 14, 2004 in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box

1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Signed:

Deborah Neill

## DECLARATION OF FACTS IN SUPPORT OF APPLYING ON BEHALF OF NONSIGNING INVENTOR Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.47 (b)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This declaration is made as to the facts that are relied upon to establish the *bona fide* effort made to secure the execution of the Declaration for the above-identified patent application by the nonsigning inventor. This declaration is being made by the available person having first-hand knowledge of the facts recited therein.

I, Michael L. Louie, do hereby declare that:

- 1. I am a patent attorney who prepared and filed the above referenced application.
- 2. On about May, 2002, Applicant EZ Environmental Solutions Corporation (hereinafter "EZ Corp.") entered into an amicable working relationship with FMT, Inc. (hereinafter "FMT") of Findlay, OH, the employer of Inventor George H. Hay, to design, develop and manufacture Pressure Island products. During this relationship, George H. Hay (hereinafter "Mr. Hay")

consummated the invention embodied in the above-identified patent application, which Mr. Hay and FMT agreed to assign to EZ Corp.

- 3. On March 7, 2003, I forwarded a draft of the patent application to Mr. Raymond Niedzwiecki, Chief Engineer with EZ Corp, for review (Exhibit A). Mr. Niedzwieki then forwarded the Draft to Mr. Hay somewhere just before April 9, 2003, as exhibited in an email from Mr. Niedzwieki to Mr. Hay in Exhibit B.
- 4. Somewhere between April 9, 2003 and about June 19, 2003, a first final Draft of the patent application was forwarded to Mr. Hay along with the formal filing documents for execution thereof by him. Unfortunately, copies of the original transmittal letter, unexecuted Declaration and Power of Attorney, and unexecuted Assignment were apparently discarded.
- 5. I did receive, however, a revised draft of the patent application by Mr. Hay, along with an executed Assignment and an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney. This application was not filed with the Patent and Trademark office since Mr. Hay had made some minor handwritten changes to the patent application without initialing and dating his changes. Unfortunately, the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney were discarded since the patent application required re-execution of the Declaration. The executed Assignment, however, was not, a copy of which is provided here as Exhibit C.
- 6. On July 11, 2003, I sent a second Final Draft of the patent application to Mr. Hay along with the formal filing documents for re-execution thereof (Exhibit D) which included the transmittal letter, the Declaration and Power of Attorney, and the Assignment to EZ Corp. These documents were sent by Federal Express to Mr. Hay at his resident address, as exemplified by the copy of the shipping label (Exhibit E).
- 7. On November 10, 2003, I resent the second Final Draft of the patent application to Mr. Hay along with the formal filing documents for re-execution thereof (Exhibit F) which again included the transmittal letter, the Declaration and Power of Attorney, and the Assignment to EZ Corp. These documents were again sent by Federal Express to Mr. Hay at his resident address, as exemplified by the copy of the shipping label (Exhibit G).

8. On April 12, 2004, I again resent the second Final Draft of the patent application to Mr.

Hay along with the formal filing documents for re-execution thereof (Exhibit H) which only

included the transmittal letter and the Declaration and Power of Attorney. These documents

were again sent by Federal Express to Mr. Hay, but this time to his work address at FMT, as

exemplified by the copy of the shipping label (Exhibit I)

9. From about September, 2003 to April 15, 2004, I repeatedly called Mr. Hay at his work

telephone number of (800) 878-8011 (Exhibit J). Except on one occasion, I always received his

voice mail, at which I left a message regarding execution of the formal filing documents. On one

occasion, his assistant answered the phone. I explained to her the situation which she said she

would forward this information directly to Mr. Hay. He never returned my call.

10. Between about February 2004 to about April 13, 2004, I contacted Mr. Joseph G. Tobia,

Chief Financial Officer and Vice President of Operations of the Applicant, EZ Environmental

Solutions Corporation, about my lack of success contacting Mr. Hay. Mr. Tobia said he would

attempt to contact Mr. Hay, and also informed me the relationship between FMT and EZ Corp.

had not been amicable for some time, and that they were no longer working together in their

former capacity.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that

all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these

statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are

punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United states

Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any

patent issued thereon.

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Dated: September 14, 2004

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March 7, 2003

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Re:

Patent Application Entitled: High Solids Closed-Loop Pressure Washer System Our File: EZESP013

## Dear Raymond:

Enclosed for your review is a draft of the above-identified patent application together with informal versions of our proposed drawings. The draft may include several blanks, which I trust are relatively self-explanatory so that you can readily fill in the required information. Please review the application to ensure that:

- it contains an accurate and complete written description of the invention; (1)
- it sets forth sufficient detail to enable one skilled in the art to which it pertains to **(2)** make and use the invention; and
- it discloses the best known mode of practicing the invention (i.e., the preferred (3) way of making and using the invention).

To the extent possible, please make any changes to the application as you would like them to appear in the final version. When you have finished reviewing the application, please return the marked-up version of the draft. After we have received your comments and made any appropriate revisions, we will prepare the final version which will be forwarded for your review, together with the formal papers that you will need to execute.

EXHIBIT A

Raymond Neidzwiecki March 7, 2003 Page 2 of 4 rney Docket No.: EZESP013

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Very truly yours,

BEYER WEAVER & THOMAS, LLP

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# GUIDE TO REVIEW OF YOUR APPLICATION

Your review of this patent application should not be limited to ensuring that the description is correct from a technical point of view. There are several issues you must consider so that we can be certain a valid patent will ultimately be obtained. The important questions you should consider are listed below.

- 1. You have an obligation to disclose the best way of making and using your invention in the application. Are you aware of anything that could make your invention "better" which we have not disclosed?
- 2. Who contributed to conception of the claimed ideas? If we have not included an inventor, please add their name, etc. On the other hand, be sure we have not listed anyone who did not contribute to conception of the ideas recited in the claims. If you have any questions about who should be properly named, we should discuss this issue.
- 3. Could someone readily make and use the invention based only upon the patent application? If not, we should include further technical details about your invention.
- 4. Do the broad claims (especially claim 1) have any unnecessary limitations, i.e., could someone use your invention without using an element of the claims? On the other hand, does claim 1 include at least one element which was not found in previous devices/methods?
- 5. Are there any related patents, papers, or other public materials of which you and the other inventors are aware? Failure to disclose pertinent prior art to the Examiner could invalidate the entire patent. Note that you will have a continuing obligation to bring pertinent prior art to the Examiner's attention even after we file the application. Please note further that we have drafted the claims broadly based on the prior art of which we are aware. Consider whether you are aware of additional art which is pertinent in view of the breadth of the claims. If you do not understand the scope of the claims clearly, please contact us and we will be glad to discuss this issue further.
- 6. Has there arguably been any non-experimental disclosure or use of the invention, or any offer for sale of the invention more than one year ago? If so, it will be necessary to bring this to the Examiner's attention.
- 7. Were any of the claimed ideas developed while working on a government contract? If so, we will need to disclose this information.

EZESP013

### WHO IS AN INVENTOR?

A patent application contains a detailed description (text and drawings) of the preferred design of the product which is the subject of the invention. In a corporate research environment, there may be one or many individuals who will have some material input into the design which is described in the patent application.

Following the detailed description in the application are a number of claims, which define the invention which is to be protected by the patent. It is these claims which have legal significance -- the detailed description merely sets the stage for the claims.

An individual is an inventor if he or she made a material contribution to what is set forth as the invention in one or more of the claims. It is very helpful to have such contributions documented and dated. The fact that an individual may have made a contribution to the design set forth in the detailed description does not constitute inventorship if that particular aspect of the design is not set forth in the claims.

An individual is an inventor if that individual originally suggests an aspect being claimed. Other types of contributions, such as suggesting that a prior concept is unworkable, promoting the original thought of another, or modifying the original thought of another in a manner not claimed as invention, may be valuable contributions, and perhaps even more valuable than originating the concept, but it is only the originator of an aspect claimed who is specified as an inventor.

Many inventions are the joint inventions of two or more inventors. Each person named as an inventor in a joint patent application need not have contributed something to each claim.

From:

"Raymond Niedzwiecki" <Raymond@pressureisland.com>

To:

<mlouie@beyerlaw.com>

Date:

4/9/03 1:16PM

Subject:

FW: BIG Island patent

Michael:

Here is the information from George Hay.

Raymond

----Original Message-----

From: George Hay [mailto:ghay@fmtinc.com] Sent: Wednesday, April 09, 2003 12:22 PM

To: Raymond Niedzwiecki Subject: RE: BIG Island patent

Yes, I received it yesterday and will review this week. The only inventor from FMT is little old me.

George H. Hay 2242 Windsong Drive Findlay, OH 45840

**US Citizen** 

----Original Message-----

From: Raymond Niedzwiecki [mailto:Raymond@pressureisland.com]

Sent: Wednesday, April 09, 2003 2:40 PM

To: George Hay

Cc: Joe Tobia; Howard Kosofsky

Subject: BIG Island patent

## George:

Have you received the Patent package yet?

Our attorneys would like to file this package before the end of next week. We need the names of all of the inventors that you would like to add to this application, their addresses and citizenship.

PLease let me know where we stand with this.

Thank you.

Raymond

CC:

"Joe Tobia" <JoeTobia@pressureisland.com>

# ASSIGNMENT OF PATENT APPLICATION

Whereas I, an undersigned inventor, have invented certain new and useful improvements as set forth in the patent application entitled:

# HIGH SOLIDS CLOSED-LOOP PRESSURE WASHER SYSTEM

| (Atty. Docket No. EZESP013), (check one)  |
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| for which I have executed a U.S. patent application on even date herewith. (Accompanying) which bears U.S. application No (Not accompanying) which is a U.S. provisional application. (Accompanying)  |
| For good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, I, an undersigned inventor, hereby:   |
| 1) Sell, assign and transfer to <b>EZ Environmental Solutions Corporation</b> , a California corporation having a place of business at 3345 Edison Way, Menlo Park, California 94025 ("ASSIGNEE"), the entire right, title and interest in any and all improvements and inventions disclosed in, applications based upon, and patents granted upon (including foreign patents and the right to claim priority), the above-referenced application. |
| 2) Authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents to issue any and all United States Patents<br>resulting from said application or any division, continuation, substitute, renewal, re-examination or<br>reissue thereof to the ASSIGNEE.  |
| 3) Agree to execute all papers and documents and, entirely at the ASSIGNEE's expense, perform any acts which are reasonably necessary in connection with the prosecution of said application, as well as any derivative applications thereof, foreign applications based thereon, and/or the enforcement of patents resulting from such applications.   |
| 4) Agree that the terms, covenants and conditions of this assignment shall inure to the benefit of the ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns and other legal representatives, and shall be binding upon the inventor, as well as the inventor's heirs, legal representatives and assigns.   |
| 5) Warrant and represent that I have not entered and will not enter into any assignment, contract or understanding that conflicts with this assignment.   |
| 6) Authorize and request my attorney/agent to insert above the application No. in order to assist with recordal of this assignment.   |
| Signed on the date indicated beside my signature.   |
| 1) Signature: Jeorge H. Hay Date: 6-19-03 Typed Name: George H. Hay   |

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July 11, 2003

<u>Via Federal Express</u>

George Hay 2242 Windsong Drive Findlay, OH 45840

Re:

U.S. Patent Application Entitled: High Solids Closed-Loop Pressure

Washer System

Our File: EZESP013

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EXHIBIT D

Raymond Neidzwiecki July 11, 2003 Page 2 of 2 Attorney Docket No.: EZESP013

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Best regards,

BEYER WEAVER & THOMAS, LLP

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# **DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY** FOR ORIGINAL U.S. PATENT APPLICATION

Attorney's Docket No. EZESP013

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As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: HIGH SOLIDS CLOSED-LOOP PRESSURE WASHER SYSTEM the specification of which,

| (check one)                              | 1. is attached hereto.   |                                    |  |
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|  | U.S. Application No.   |                                    |  |
|  | International PCT A <sub>1</sub>                               | pplication No                      |  |
| I hereby state that<br>amended by any an | I have reviewed and understand the nendment referred to above. | contents of the above-identified   | specification, including the claims, as  |
| I acknowledge the 37, CFR § 1.56.        | duty to disclose information which is                          | material to the patentability of t | his application in accordance with Title   |
| Prior Foreign App                        | lication(s)  |                                    |  |
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| (Application No.)                        | (Country)  | (Filing Date)                      | Yes No   |
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| Provisional Applic                       | ation(s)   |                                    |  |
| I hereby claim the be                    | enefit under 35 U.S.C. §119(e) of any                          | United States provisional applica  | tion(s) listed below:  |
| 60/463,515                               | April 15,  | 2003                               |  |
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### Prior U.S. Application(s)

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s), or § 365(c) of any PCT International application designating the United States, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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## **Power of Attorney**

And I hereby appoint the law firm of Beyer Weaver & Thomas, LLP and all practitioners who are associated with the Customer Number 022434 as my principal attorneys to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

**Direct Correspondence To:** 

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## Michael L. Louie at telephone number (510) 843-6200

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| Inventor's signat                         | ture:  |  | Date of Signature | :             |
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Dear George:

I again thank you for your comments concerning the above-referenced patent application. As mentioned in my previous letter to you dated November 10, 2003, we have to re-execute the enclosed Declaration and Power of Attorney, since the former signed document pertains to a version that did not include your revisions since your handwritten revisions were not dated and initialed. We do not require re-execution of the assignment of rights to EZ Environmental Solutions Corporation, and have thus not included these documents since the first assignment is valid.

Anyway, I have made several attempts to contact you by mail, email and telephone in regards to the re-execution of these documents. As of late, Mr. Tobia of EZ Environmental Solutions Corporation has also attempted to contact you as well with no response.

Accordingly, I am attempting one last time to have you re-execute the Declaration and Power of Attorney. Thus, after your final read through of the patent application, please sign and date each of the enclosed form by your name. Afterwards, please return the application together with the executed document in the return Federal Express Envelope not later than April 14, 2004, so that we may file them with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office by April 15, 2004.

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Best regards,

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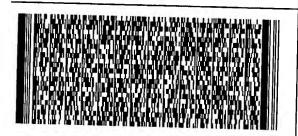


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